

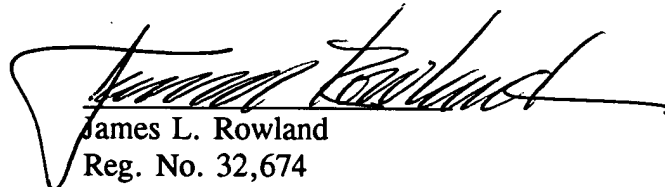
REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendment above, in which claims 1-21 will be pending, calculation of the filing fees and examination on the merits of the application are now requested.

The amendment is intended to eliminate all multiple dependencies in the claims of the instant application and the corresponding fee under 37 CFR §1.16(d).

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone or fax number given below.

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